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# Traffic Improvements

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

The objective of the Traffic Improvements Program is to mitigate traffic congestion, improve traffic flow on the County's roadway network through congestion mitigation projects, intersection improvements, Advanced Transportation Management System (ATMS) technologies, and efficient traffic signal operation. These ongoing projects increase the ability to safely and efficiently move people and goods throughout Montgomery County and may help defer the need to expand existing infrastructure.

Two projects in the Traffic Improvements Capital Program, Neighborhood Traffic Calming and Streetlighting, are components of the Renew Montgomery Program. Renew Montgomery is a comprehensive program which coordinates DPWT services to improve the infrastructure of older neighborhoods to assure effective, safe, and attractive vehicular and pedestrian access.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Modernize central traffic signal control system to provide additional capabilities and tools to optimize traffic flow.
- Participate in a project with the Maryland State Highway Administration to install pedestrian lighting on MD 124 (Airpark Road to Fieldcrest Road) and at the MD 355 interchange with Montrose Parkway/Randolph Road.
- Continue efforts to provide guardrails and streetlights.
- Continue efforts to provide pedestrian and traffic safety improvements.

## PROGRAM CONTACTS

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## CAPITAL PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Recommended FY09-14 Traffic Improvements Capital Program includes 13 ongoing projects totaling \$88.1 million in the six-year period. This represents an increase of \$29.1 million, or 49.3 percent from the \$59.0 million included in the FY07-12 Amended program. The increase is primarily attributed to a higher Traffic Construction Services contract and Phase II of the project to modernize the County's traffic signal system.